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Townships seek disaster funding

by BRYN WEESE
Times Staff

The townships of Minden Hills and Algonquin Highlands have now been declared disaster areas by their councils. The hope is that approval of the declarations by the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing might result in some provincial monies to

help shoulder the financial burden of damaged municipal infrastructure and other related costs.

At the behest of Lorne Mitchell, chief administrative officer for Algonquin Highlands, Haliburton County council declared the county a disaster area at a recent meeting. The caveat for the county's declaration was that all four member

municipalities had to follow suit.

Algonquin Highlands is opting to apply for Ontario Disaster Relief Assistance Program funding that, if approved, would see the township create a special disaster funding committee that would review funding applications (mainly for public projects) and would allocate the funds.

Minden Hills, on the other

hand, believes that ODRAP funding is not accessible enough and has in place too many obstacles to receive money. Instead, council will be applying for another funding program, the Special Assistance Program, also through the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

At the special meeting of
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Casey Lessard/TIMES

Nancy Ann Timmers of Ameliasburg (bib 40) and Kim Amell of Monkland (bib 1) get cheered on as they finish the 5K Highland Yard race through downtown Minden. The two were among the last runners to finish, but helping kids go to camp is more important than finishing first. See more photos on page 15.

No bag tags during storm clean-up

by BRYN WEESE
Times Staff

For Minden Hills ratepayers opposed to the bag tag system, the now infamous storm that swept through the county two weeks ago may provide relief, albeit brief.

At a special meeting of council,

held Thursday August 10, Minden Hills council agreed to remove the bag tag requirement until the Monday of Labour Day weekend to allow ratepayers to dispose of spoilt food caused by the power outage and excess debris caused by the storm.

For the weekend of August 12, ratepayers were allowed to dump

more than two untagged bags of household waste to allow for the disposal of spoilt food. On Monday August 14, the previous two-bag limit came into effect.

The two-bag limit is in effect until and including the September long weekend, but bag tag requirements will resume as usual after Monday, September 4.

Boat crashes into PWC injuring teen

by GREG HOEKSTRA
Times Staff

Two teenagers, aged 13 and 14, were hospitalized on Wednesday after a boat lurched on top of the personal watercraft they were riding.

The pair were reportedly riding across Kushog Lake when their PWC passed a 14.5-foot McKee Craft, which accelerated into the wake of their PWC, raising the boat's bow into the air. The teens then slowed their PWC but the boat continued to lunge forward, and subsequently rode up on top of the smaller vessel.

Both were transported to the Minden hospital by ambulance following the collision, which is still under investigation. The driver of the PWC was treated for non-life threatening injuries, while the passenger was later taken by ambulance to the Peterborough Regional Health Centre with serious injuries. The boat's operator was not injured as a result of the incident.

A police report says that the 14-year-old male was operating the PWC while the 13-year-old male was riding on the back. Under current boating regulations, nei-

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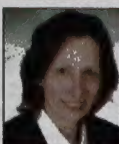
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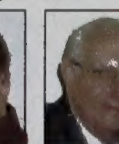
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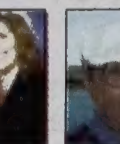
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PWCs should be driven by those 16 and older

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ther of the two are old enough to legally operate a PWC. Transport Canada prohibits persons 16 years of age or under from operating personal watercrafts, regardless of whether they are supervised by a parent or adult.

Mike Taber, a Boating Safety Officer with Transport Canada, says that generally when a minor is found operating a PWC, officers will give warnings and inform the parents of the offence, rather than fining a minor.

With that being said, Taber also notes that discretion is ultimately up to the individual officer, and repeat offenders could likely face a \$250 fine for operating a PWC without a boat operator's card, as well as a second \$250 fine for failing to provide proof of age.

Wednesday's collision remains under investigation. As of yet no names have been released and no charges have been laid.

Correction

In last week's storm coverage, Cliff Archer was mentioned as the owner of Matabanick Inn. He owns the Boshkung Lake resort with his brother, Don, and Don's wife Chris, who live on the property. The building on the front page is Cliff and Jan Archer's cottage, next to the resort.

The Times regrets any confusion this may have caused.

Motorcyclist cuts deer in half in Hwy 35 passing accident

by GREG HOEKSTRA
Times Staff

A motorist was given a harsh reminder of the dangers posed by wildlife last Tuesday, after her motorcycle struck a deer with such force that it sliced the animal in half.

Karla Rodgers, 47 of Huntsville, was driving a 2005 Kawasaki ZX6 northbound on Highway 35 near Raven Lake when the incident occurred. According to a police report, she was in the process of passing another vehicle when the deer darted out from the eastern shoulder of the road.

The animal was killed upon impact and Rodgers was subsequently thrown from her motorcycle, which also sustained significant damage. Rodgers was taken by ambulance to the Huntsville hospital and treated for non-life threatening injuries, though police say her injuries would have been much worse had she not been wearing a full leather protective suit.

No charges have been laid as a result of the incident, but the Haliburton Highlands OPP detachment would like to remind drivers that wildlife will frequently dart out onto roads and highways, particularly in areas where yellow wildlife warning signs indicate an increased risk.

Tuesday's accident comes only three weeks after the Ontario government joined forces with the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters to remind motorists of the potential dangers posed by wildlife.

In a July 26 press release, Transportation Minister Donna Cansfield stated that collisions with wildlife have been increasing exponentially over the past 10 years.

"One in every 18 motor vehicle crashes involves a wild animal," Cansfield said. "Over the past decade, there has been an 86 per cent increase in collisions with wildlife in Ontario."

Cansfield said the government is currently testing new wildlife warning billboards and changeable message signs at key locations in Northeastern Ontario in order to help raise the public's awareness. In addition to that, they have also started to install fencing along major highways, and have developed a "Watch for Wildlife" brochure.

According to the brochure, a motor vehicle collides with a wild animal every 38 minutes, with 90 per cent of those collisions occurring on two-lane roads outside of urban areas and 84 per cent occurring in good weather. In 2003 alone, 13,729 collisions were reported, but the Ministry of Transportation also expects that many more collisions go unreported.

The peak times of day for collisions with wildlife are generally between 5 a.m. and 7 a.m., or between 5 p.m. to 11 p.m.. There are also two peak times of year when collisions are most frequent, those being in May and June, when animals seek road salt in ditches and try to escape biting insects, and in the fall mating and migration seasons, which is another reason why this reminder is so timely.

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Hungry hydro workers get standing ovation

by BRYN WEESE
Times Staff

Hydro One knew people in the county appreciated their long hours and their hard work, but a standing ovation is something they never, ever expected.

"The people really were outstanding. It was unbelievable how warm they were to all of our crews," says Bill Smeaton of HydroOne. "In these small communities like ours, the warm personalities really shine through."

That Place in Carnarvon, like many restaurants in the area, had been serving hydro workers all week, sometimes as many as 20 to 30 workers a night. On Monday night, two tables had been reserved for HydroOne when 12 other diners showed up.

As owner Sue Yallop explains, "I said 'I'm feeding Hydro One and that's all there is to it.'"

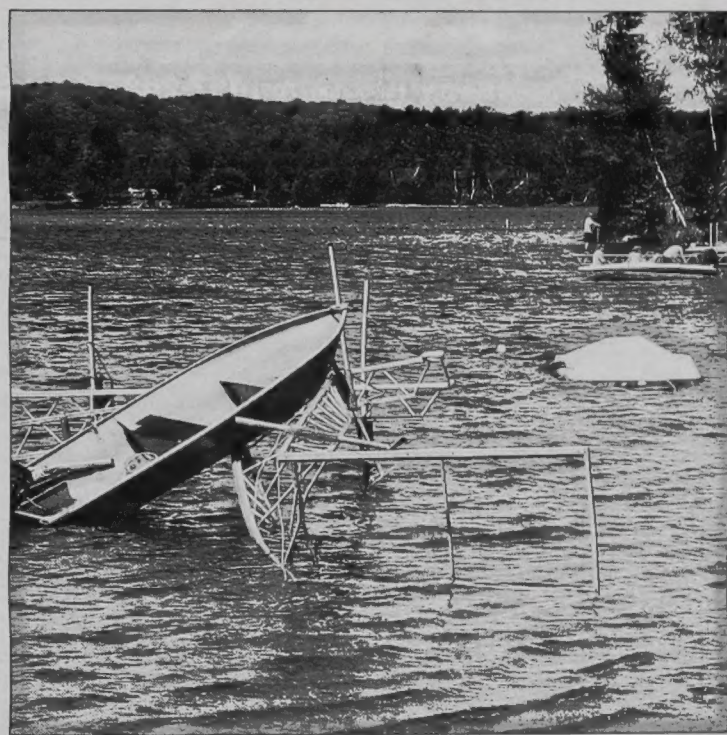
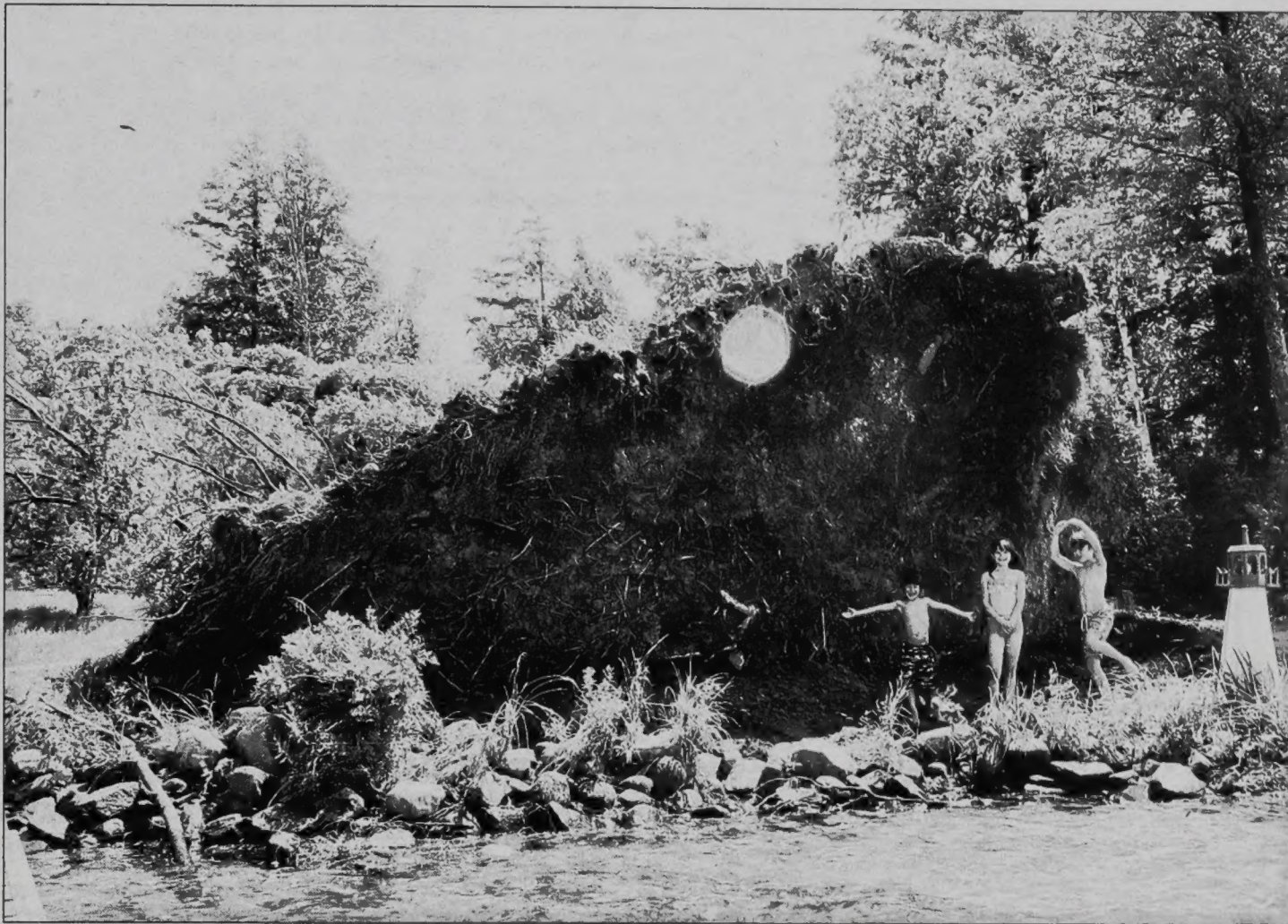
But to Yallop's surprise, no one who was waiting in line got bent out of shape. In fact, when she announced that she was bumping the hydro crew up in the queue, the restaurant exploded in a roaring standing ovation.

"It was an incredible round of applause," she says. "We had workers here from Kincardine, Kapuskasing, Killaloe, and I think they all felt welcome by that."

"It almost brought a tear to my eye," adds Yallop's husband Ed. "The people stood up and applauded these guys for 15 to 20 seconds. I bet you a lot of the people applauding them still didn't have any power."

While it might be back to business as usual now for That Place in Carnarvon, after Monday, the Yallops were sure to keep a few more tables open for Hydro One workers. "They are worth their weight in gold," Sue says.

* As of Saturday August 12, all of the outside linemen had been sent home but additional foresters did remain in the area to assist with finishing the clean-up.



Down windy lane

Bruce and Betty Moffatt's property on Beech Lake "really got thumped" by the August 2 tornadoes and wind storm. As well as losing 40 to 50 trees, their new boat was flipped over and damaged. When they told their story to family friends Scotty and Joan Morrison on Kennis Lake, the Morrisons, who were in the midst of a family reunion, responded by sending over three sons and four sons-in-law armed with chainsaws. In these photos by the Moffatts' daughter Carole, Christopher Moffatt, Erica Carmount and Connor Moffatt stand under the root mat of three massive pines toppled on Beech Lake. On Dusty Lane it took nine men more than 12 hours to chainsaw a path through the fallen trees. That's the Moffatts' dock and fishing boat - 100 feet from where it's supposed to be. The object in the water to the right of the frame is their new, unsalvageable boat. It replaced the boat that was crushed this past winter when Northland Marina's boat storage collapsed under heavy snow. Heavy snow, heavy winds...

No funding available for private landowners with storm damage

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Minden Hills council, it was decided that funding applications through the Special Assistance Program would be reserved for public funding to help the municipality pay for the additional costs incurred by the storm and the resulting clean-up.

CAO Gerry Morrison said that he had been told by a ministry representative that up to 100 per cent of additional costs to the municipality because of the storm could possibly be funded by SAP.

Representatives from Minden Hills, Algonquin Highlands, Highlands East and Dysart et al are meeting with provincial ministers this week in Ottawa during the annual Association of Municipalities of Ontario conference. They are hoping they will convince the province to provide financial assistance.

In the meantime, Algonquin Highlands is gathering its many repair bills from the storm's damage. Mitchell said so far, hydro bills are totalling roughly \$65,000.

Over the next few weeks that number may grow closer to \$100,000 by the time all the repair bills are in.

Reeve Eleanor Harrison said council will meet this Thursday to discuss the issue. "I'm personally advocating for trees to be cleaned up as best as they can be in front of St. Peter's Church," said Harrison. "I doubt we can go further than that but we'll discuss it at the meeting."

Her CAO, Lorne Mitchell, said that even if the province declares the county a

disaster area, available monies would be used primarily to reimburse public funds.

"There will be no funding anywhere for cleaning up trees on private property."

At the Maple, Beech and Cameron Lakes property owners' association annual general meeting last Saturday, members asked whether there would be a clean-up crew to deal with the messy looking state of many of the township's tree- and branch-littered roads. Mitchell said he didn't know but he would soon find out.

Storm kind to most maple syrup producers

by RACHEL DE LAZZER
Times Staff

Toppled trees can mean lost revenue for those in the maple syrup business. Luckily, most maple syrup producers in the area suffered only minor damage to their maple trees after the storm nearly two weeks ago.

One maple syrup producer however has his work cut out for him. Bill Beatty of Beatty Sugarbush on Drag Lake says it will take him about three months to clear trees and repair damaged lines. (Most maple syrup producers today use a system of plastic tubing that enables a broader-scale production than tapping with buckets).

"If we don't get the bush cleaned up by November 1 we won't be making maple syrup next year," says Beatty. He has to clean up between 50 and 100 downed trees on his 50-acre property, then get work repairing the damaged lines underneath them – something that can't be done in the cold weather.

Beatty says he estimated the storm damage will cause him to lose about 25 per cent of his typical maple syrup production this year.

The storm may have toppled his trees

Rachel De Lazzar/TIMES



This Hydro crew was out repairing lines west of West Guilford. They stayed four nights at Lochaven Inn on North Shore Road.

but it hasn't made a dent in his sense of humour. "I think it was Israeli bombs," he said last week.

Neil Campbell operates a small maple syrup farm in Anson and sells most of his syrup to friends and friends of friends. He says about 70 per cent of it goes to his former co-workers at the *Globe and Mail*.

Campbell said only about six trees are down of about 300 that he can tap for syrup. Since he only taps about 170 every year, it's no great loss. Unlike Beatty he taps with buckets – the old-fashioned

way.

Tom Dawson, owner of Wintergreen Maple Products just north of Gelert, hardly has a tree or two down of the 1,200 he taps each year. Dawson's property is sheltered from severe weather by a large ridge. He says major storms in the county seem to hit hard in the same areas and he thinks those are the areas that got it with this storm.

Dunloe Farm on Barry's Line in West

Guilford, which produces maple syrup as well as other produce, also sustained no damage. "There's only one tree down and it's not a maple," said Darlene McConnell.

Sugar maples take anywhere from 20 to 80 years to reach a tapable size – about 10 inches wide and four-and-a-half feet off the ground. Trees well cared for and with enough space around them to grow well will not take as long.

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Businesses cope with hardships in storm's wake

Darlene McConnell says she estimates she lost anywhere from \$1,500 to \$2,000 worth of business at her Lady Esther Esthetics Day Spa and Bed and Breakfast. She was booked solid for the long weekend, then customers called to cancel once the storm hit. She says about eight to 10 people stayed over the weekend.

None of Lochaven Inn's customers cancelled their bookings for the long weekend because all of them were coming up to see their kids in the area, says Jacquie

Schulz, daughter-in-law to owners Werner and Barbel Schultz. She said they called their booked customers to let them know all they had was cold water and toilets that flushed. "They all said 'That's fine,'" said Jacquie, adding they all knew to bring their flashlights.

For four nights last week, Lochaven Inn put up 15 hydro crew and treated them all to true German fare with late dinners when they finally got off work around 9:45 p.m..

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Businesses still tallying the costs of storm

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times Staff

It's too early to say how much money local businesses lost in the wake of the August 2 tornadoes and wind storm.

"A lot of businesses are still in reacting mode," the county's economic development officer Robert Smith told county council on Wednesday.

"The impact ranges significantly. It's everything from soup to nuts"

BOB SMITH

"The impact ranges significantly," Smith said. "It's everything from soup to nuts. A lot of the long-term implications we're not aware of yet."

Overall, tourism is down across the province, Smith said, with Casino Windsor having to lay off up to 300 people because Americans aren't travelling to Canada because of the high Canadian dollar. In areas of Eastern Ontario people are staying tourism is down while some resorts are reporting their best summer yet.

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison asked how the county initiative to help fund information booths in each of the municipalities was working.

Smith said that judging by the rate with which brochures are leaving the various information centres, Haliburton's is doing brisk business while Dorset's is "doing rather well."

Staff contacted 245 businesses, representing roughly 20 per cent of the number of businesses in the county. Their first estimate is that the storm cost a total of \$285,000 in damages and lost business. Four businesses reported an increase in business because of the storm.

Expect detour on County Rd. 1

by MARTHA PERKINS
Times Staff

The county roads department can expect to hear from disgruntled travellers who are upset about the upcoming closures of part of County Road 1 and the Haliburton Lake Road.

"I can tell you this will be painful for you," Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey warned the head of the county's engineering department, Roy Haig, at Wednesday's county council meeting. "There will be a lot of questions from a lot of people."

Haig says that given the scope of the work, the department has no other option than to force drivers to make a long detour around the work sites.

County Road 1 near Gelert will be closed to through traffic from August 15 to September 5 as two badly deteriorated culverts are replaced. One culvert is 1.3 km in from the intersection with County Road 121 (the road between Minden and Kinmount) and the other is 3 km from the intersection.

To avoid the work area, motorists will have to detour along South Lake Road through Minden to get to and from Kinmount and Haliburton village. The Milburn Road is another possible detour, although it is not recommended because of its narrowness.

One culvert requires poured cement footings and it is impossible to keep half the road open while the work is done.

"We can't do half a structure at a time because it's a pretty deep fill," Haig said of the second culvert.

The department also feels that creating a new lane to allow for through traffic is prohibitively expensive.

The job is already expected to cost \$1.4 million, which is more than the county expected. A third lane would cost "at least" \$100,000 more.

Bob English, the head of the county's EMS, told council that County Road 1 is a main route for ambulances heading for hospitals outside the county.

"On a day to day basis it will be a huge operational issue," he said. "Our response time [to locations along the route] could be 45 minutes at least [depending on where an ambulance is available.]"

Fearrey said businesses are also worried about how they will make deliveries with such an important artery shut off.

Haig said he will notify the EMS on a daily basis when the route will be closed. As well, the county will post detour notices at entrances on days when the route is closed. The work is expected to be completed by Labour Day weekend.

People who live between the two culverts, however, have been guaranteed that they will always have access to their houses "one way or another." About a dozen houses are affected.

"We're hoping it will be only a few blocks of time," Haig said.

Minden Hills Reeve Jim McMahon said that his municipality's experience with road work this summer taught him that businesses should get hand-delivered notice about the work and the detour. "They need to plan ahead or find alternatives."

The work on County Road 14 at Camp Northland is expected to take two weeks starting on September 4. Traffic to and from Haliburton Lake will have to travel along Harburn Road. Although there is less traffic on this road, Fearrey was concerned about the impact on Eagle Lake businesses. The direct route between Haliburton Lake and Eagle Lake will be cut off and people forced to use the Harburn will likely carry on to Haliburton to do their shopping.

If the Harburn Road becomes blocked during this time, as it did following the August 2 tornado, then Haig says the county has no other option than to work quickly to re-open the Harburn Road.

The cost to replace the culvert at Camp Northland is \$371,000, which is lower than expected.

The County Road 1 contract was awarded to the Leveque Brothers while the County Road 14 project is being done by Royel Paving.

The county has received funding from the provincial and federal governments to cover a portion of the two projects' costs.

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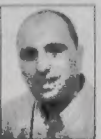
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EDITORIAL COMMENT

When a tree falls

IN THIS LITIGIOUS WORLD WE NOW LIVE IN, it is perhaps no longer appropriate to ask if a tree falling in the forest makes a sound? Maybe the more relevant question is, when a tree falls, who is responsible? Especially when that tree damages, or threatens to damage, personal property.

In the wake of the recent F1 tornadoes that touched down in the Highlands, it is not surprising that someone would suggest that the township is responsible for its trees.

But to suggest that the township is responsible for trees on *unmaintained* road allowances, including shorelines, is absurd. If ratepayers enjoy the use of the shoreline road allowances as their own (as all of them do), then the responsibility is theirs to maintain it – those trees may as well be the residents', not the township's.

The township's ownership to the 66-foot shoreline road allowance is almost best explained as theoretical ownership, exercised only if they need it. But, as evidenced by their willingness to sell most of it off to adjacent landowners, the township neither wants nor needs it. They most certainly do not intend to patrol it or maintain it.

Recently, Algonquin Highlands council was asked to remove a large tree that was believed to be damaged in the storm that threatened, the ratepayer believed, to fall on the garage of his waterfront property on Halls Lake. The tree is located on the township's 66-foot shoreline road allowance.

The discussion as to whether the tree was damaged at all, and if so, if it was damaged by the storm is completely moot. Whether or not the tree was damaged in the storm, and whether or not the tree was threatening to damage private property, council was right not to cut it down. The unmaintained shoreline road allowance is no more the municipality's than the trees on crown land belong to the queen.

As it turns out, of course, the Ontario Municipal Act protects municipalities from liability of tree damage on unmaintained road allowances. Of course, maintained road allowances are a different story. There, the municipality is responsible, to a certain degree, for the condition of the road, or park, and all the trees therein.

In the face of this storm, all four municipalities that encompass Haliburton County have done the best they could for their ratepayers.

Patience is a virtue

As many readers will have noticed, it is taking the *Times* a few editions to recover from the influx of storm stories that we have published in our two most recent papers.

We know there are plenty of community events that have happened recently that are worthy of coverage and it is coming, but please be patient with us as we struggle to find space for all of the news that has flooded our computers as of late.

With the storm editions of both the *Times* and the *Echo* virtually sold out even before the rush of this past summer weekend, it is obvious that our coverage was appreciated. It is in moments like these that community newspapers such as ours shine, because there is no other media source for information about the devastation in our county.

We have enjoyed covering the storm, no doubt about it, but we are now ready to return to our usual pace and fulfill our usual role.

-Bryn Weese

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And they're off.

Photo by Casey Lessard.

TOTHE EDITOR

Times readers write

Tornadoes brought out best in people: Legion past president says

To the Editor:

The tornado that went through Minden certainly brought out the best in people. I could not get home on Wednesday evening because every road into my home was blocked by huge trees over the roads. Cheryl Murdoch opened her home to myself and three other stranded people at the Minden Legion. This kind gesture can never be repaid nor will ever be forgotten.

Thursday morning Ron Nesbitt with his chain saw drove along Reynolds Road cutting a swath through all the trees across the road so that residents (including myself) could reach their homes or get out. Again, this concern for others shows

that, in this busy world we live in, individuals still remember that "we are our brother's keeper" and, when we endeavour to help our neighbours in trouble, we are also helping ourselves.

Thanks also to the municipal and county work crews who responded so quickly to the emergency. Hydro also had a tremendous job trying to get electricity to everyone. The workers at the landfill site were helpful and pleasant to all who had so much spoilage to get rid of.

So, kudos to all you caring people.

G. Parkes
Horseshoe Lake

IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

The bald truth about dogs

AS IF IT'S NOT BAD ENOUGH that some people try to dress up dogs or carry them around like fashion accessories, we now have companies that manufacture wigs exclusively for canines.

For the record, I'm strongly opposed to this idea. Giving a dog a wig is like giving Pam Anderson more silicone - it's entirely unnecessary and quite possibly dangerous.

Bear in mind that hair loss or pattern baldness are not the primary reasons why some people are buying wigs for their dogs. No, according to the article I read, they are doing it to make their dogs look more sophisticated. As if all the knitted sweaters and bows aren't doing that already.

All this might be true, but, if you ask me, these people are missing the point of having a dog. After all, a dog's sole purpose in life is to keep its owner grounded. That's why they go potty on your lawn, roll in dead fish, hump legs, or bathe their

private parts at the most inopportune moments. We're talking about a creature that greets total strangers by sniffing backsides. No toupee in the world is going to compliment that sort of sophistication.

No, I think we would have been far better off if they just started with comb overs or baseball caps like everyone else around here.

Never mind dogs, I don't even understand the purpose of a wig on a man. Sure, I can see wearing one if you are trying to disguise yourself or if it is needed for some sort of dramatic role. And I'm all for them when they are used for medical purposes such as to bolster the spirits of chemotherapy patients. But otherwise, a wig is something that smacks of ego and vanity. And these are characteristics that most dogs simply don't possess as yet.

But, if we keep placing wigs on them, all this might change. We might be facing the spectre of waiting half-an-hour for a dog to put on her face before she consents to go for a walk. And, personally, I'd rather not have to deal with a dog who stops hunting because she chipped a nail.

I liken the use of wigs to an athlete using steroids - it gives an unfair and unnatural advantage but eventually the cheating gets uncovered. For instance, I can't imagine a retriever getting away with a Cher wig for long in the marsh. Sure, the right wig might make a Chihuahua look even more attractive, but all

this ends the moment he decides to eat it. And make no mistake, a dog will eventually eat the wig. Dogs eventually eat everything.

This, of course, will lead to all sorts of uncomfortable questions from the kids

about why the pup is growing a second tail. And, no matter how good my English springer spaniel would look with an Afro, I'm unprepared to deal with that sort of thing.

And maybe I've got a discerning eye, but I can spot a wig on a dog almost every time. I think this is partly to do with the fact that most of the wigs in use these days are made from human hair. Plus, there is no such thing as a platinum blond Dalmatians.

I won't lie to you; this has rocked my world. Now, I'm looking just a little more closely at every mutt that I see. I ask myself is that its real hair or is it just a rug? Suddenly, the element of trust is gone. I'm afraid of even petting them on the head anymore for fear of a wig coming off in my hand. I don't need any more of these awkward moments in my life.

If this catches on, next thing you know they'll be customizing wigs to suit the breed of dog. Just what the world needs huh? A beagle with a hare piece.



BEYOND35

Steve Galea

When life goes round in circles

FIRST THING WHEN I WIN the lottery, I'll go right out and buy enough changes of clothes to carry me right through next July and August.

If my winnings are large enough, I may skimp on socks and boxers and just throw them away after the first wearing. With the size of my fantasy jackpot, cost is no object.

Of course, first I'll have to buy a lottery ticket, but I've had a look at the odds and owning a ticket really wouldn't improve my chances all that much.

Winning the lottery would only be a path to my ultimate dream, which is to never again have pay a summer visit to a coin laundry in cottage country. Two months' worth of summer clothes would put that fantasy within reach.

The cashier at the IGA has an even better solution. "I'd rather go naked than go to the laundromat," she tells me not once but twice.

"Call me if you ever reach that level of despair," I offer. "I'll come round to help talk you through your crisis."

For The Brown Dog Jiggs and me, laundry is the bane of our existence on

Sapsucker Ridge. We have no hydro lines to be knocked down in summer storms, so a washer and dryer are out of the question.

Jiggs doesn't have a whole lot of laundry of his own, but he knows that washday will mean a change in his routine, an afternoon alone at home.

He nudges my thigh with his considerable nose as I lug garbage bags packed with sweaty socks and mud-crusted work pants through the kitchen. "Take me with you," he says, and wags his tail hopefully.

Then the cow's hoof from the pet store goes on the floor for him and I put on my last clean shirt, the polyester in alternating green and purple stripes with frayed cuffs and collar that I wear in public only on washday. Jiggs knows his fate is sealed.

It's not going to the coin laundry that is depressing so much as the fact you can't be doing anything else. If you wash your clothes at home, you can multi-task, but

at the laundromat, you're pretty well stuck.

An exciting day is when a discombobulated washer rocks and rolls at its work, shuddering and bouncing until it almost seems ready for liftoff.

That's how it is for eight months of the year, when my only fellow launderers might be some other lonely bachelor with his entire wardrobe in a

single bag, or some harried housewife whose husband can't get around to fixing the washer at home. Often I am

the only one there.

Sometimes, I even come out ahead on the day. I scoop armloads out of the dryer and when I get home I have a new stray sock to make up for the one I lost last week, or a set of baby clothes.

The only good thing about summer washdays is I can go next door and get a milkshake to tide me over.

Summer washing is a test of will. I

walk through the laundry door into a crowd scene that might be drawn from some Oriental bazaar. I lug my bags into a room where every washer is in use and claims have been staked to the ones being emptied. There is competition for a place to sit, then for a dryer and finally for a folding table.

You can pick out the novice cottagers. They make an outing of it and bring the whole family into a room that must look to them like something from the Third World. Everything is spick, or at least span, but there are people everywhere.

Wives and daughters flee to the grocery store and father and son stay behind in the chaos to do the folding. A little fellow takes charge of transport for his father.

His face fierce with concentration and the weight of responsibility, he commands a cart and hauls laundry from dryer to folding table. He delivers his load in a froth of despair.

"I can't get Mom's underwear," he announces in a voice laden with doom. "It's in the back. I can't reach it."

All around him, tension breaks. Faces turn to hide a smile.



BACK OF BEYOND

Neil Campbell

If you have to have an accident, have it here

To the people of Carnarvon and Minden:

On July 29 my wife and granddaughter were involved in a serious automotive accident on Highway 118 just west of Carnarvon. They were following me when, for reasons yet to be determined, their vehicle left the road and rolled a number of times. I am writing this letter in an attempt to thank the people who helped us that day.

If you must have a serious accident, do it around the people who were on the road with us that day. I was an emotional mess after watching the accident happen in my rear view mirror. I stopped and ran back to find my family still alive but seri-

ously injured.

Two off duty firefighters, a holidaying emergency room nurse and a number of other good Samaritans also stopped to help us that day.

Some attended to my wife who was still in the car, some helped Kaitlyn who was covered in blood and crying and others tried to help me to calm down and focus. Others called for help on their cell phones and still others controlled the traffic and the crowd.

To all of these people I wish to give my heart-felt thank you. Without you I could not have coped and I fully believe my

family may have been at further risk without your help. You didn't ignore us as so often happens these days and you used your training, talents and good

sense to manage our crisis that day. Thank you, thank you, and thank you again. If the world were made up of more people like you,

the evening newscast would be much shorter.

My wife and granddaughter are now recovering at home in Ancaster. My wife, Judy, suffered a number of broken ribs, some serious bumps, minor cuts and seatbelt bruising like I have never seen before. Kaitlyn received a broken nose

that realigned and set by itself, a number of stitches to close a cut above her left eye and some seatbelt bruising. Both were initially treated at the Minden Hospital where the care and treatment was excellent and then transferred to Peterborough.

Minden is very lucky to have its Hospital staffed with people they have. The staff makes a hospital what it is, and it's a good one. I hope you never need to use it.

Thank you again,
Don Harman
Via e-mail

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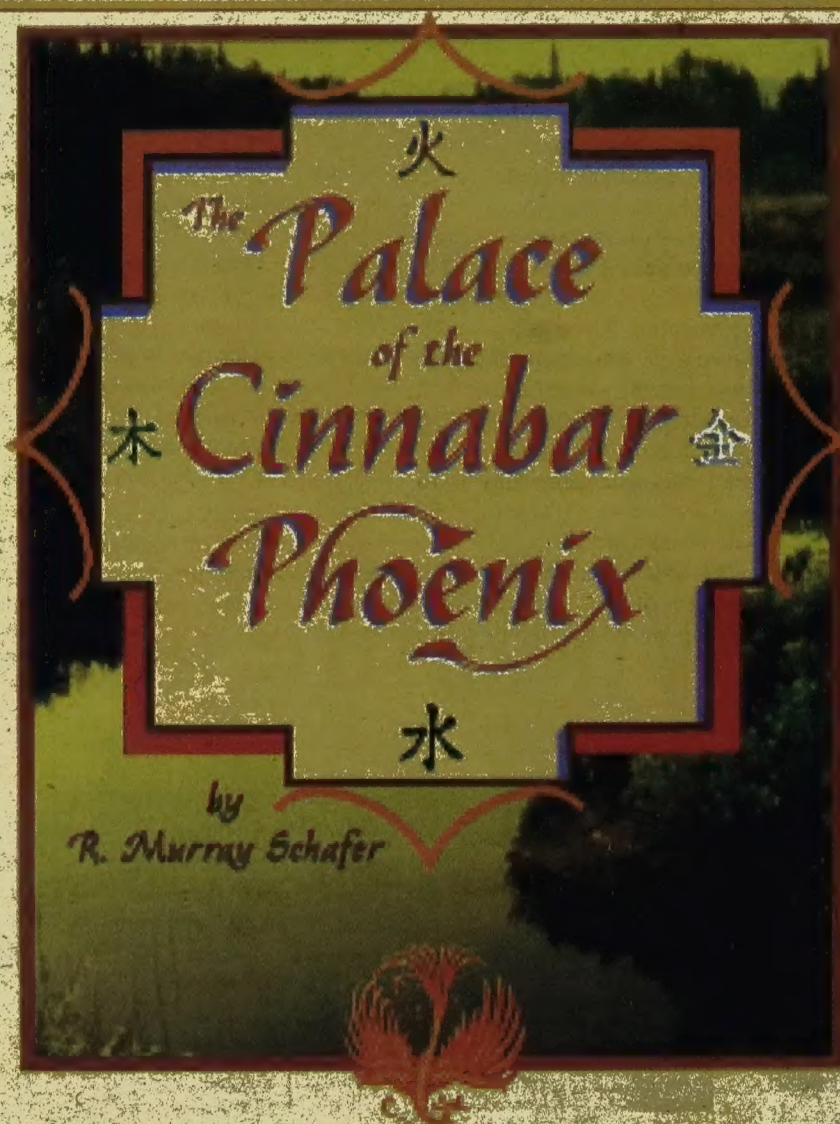
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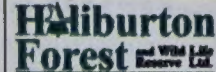
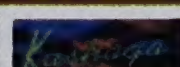
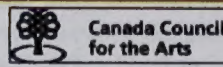
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Minden Hills resident dismayed by removal of bag tag rules

To the Editor:

Imagine my surprise and dismay yesterday at the Little Gull landfill when I was told that, starting now, I could deposit two household garbage bags and no bag tags required.

Does this mean that Minden Hills has abandoned the bag tag program? I hope not.

I'm assuming the township spend a lot more time discussing landfill site capacity issues and how to get people to put more effort into recycling. They then spent money to print and distribute bag tags to all residents in the township.

Personally, I have been working very hard to increase the amount of waste I recycle and am pleased to report that I can limit household garbage to one bag per week (even with many guests on the weekend). It takes a lot of education, sifting and sorting, but it's worth it.

I realize the bag tag system isn't endorsed by all residents but does that mean we walk away from a program that we've spent a lot of time and money on after only five weeks? If what I was told yesterday is to be the "going-forward" position of the Township of Minden Hills, this is a huge step backward.

Residents of Minden Hills, please do your part to recycle and reduce the amount of recyclable materials filling up our already full landfill sites.

Barbara Reid
Gull Lake Trail

'Neighbourliness' makes difference

To the Editor:

Martha Perkins was absolutely right about the key factor that helped us through the terrors of the storm last week: "a sense of neighbourliness."

I was by myself through the storm and the four days without hydro, with my wife in Thunder Bay. I was never alone, though. My friends stopped by to check how things were, the lovely girls at Kawartha helped me to a continuous supply of ice, the Dollos kept the fresh food coming, the sweet woman who cleans my house took the time to get to a phone to check in on me, and finally, the friendly voices of Canoe FM were back on the air with information, kind words of empathy, and good music.

And my heroes, the men and women of Hydro One,

worked day and night to light the darkness, with the support of our municipal crews and volunteer firemen.

The world village is trapped by terror. The terror of suicide bombers, hurricanes, random acts of violence. The cities in this global village have left a sense of community fade away like an old photograph as the fear of terror grew.

We're fortunate to live in a place that devotes so much energy to community building, to volunteerism, to creating opportunities for all of us to use our talents and skills. This is precious. Neighbourliness is really a form of Godliness, after all.

Michael Fay
Horseshoe Lake Road

Readers appreciate HydroOne for hard work and thoughtfulness

To the Editor:

We would like to thank all the Hydro personnel who worked such long hours for many days to restore electricity to our cottage. Fortunately we did not sustain any damage to our cottage or property but, like so many others, just had to replace the contents of our fridges - food can be easily replaced.

We were impressed by Hydro personnel who phoned us to see if our power had been restored and then gave us an estimated time when we could expect it to return. It was restored on Sunday at 7:50 p.m., two days before the projected return date. Kudos to HydroOne Minden and all the other HydroOne workers who came into assist.

Sincerely,
Sandra and Michael O'Driscoll
Drag River

Council should replace landfill's shack

To the Editor:

Roughly two months ago, the township of Minden Hills had the attendant's shack at the Irondale landfill site demolished. Since that time he has been expected to stand outside or sit in his vehicle on all of the days it is open even if it is close to 100 degrees.

This new cabin should have been built and installed at said location the same day as the old one was destroyed. Whoever is responsible for this probably sits in an air-conditioned building and figures that because he is cool everything is fine. Maybe they should be forced to stand outside or sit in a vehicle for a day when the temperature is close to 100 degrees and give them a taste of what it is like.

Maybe it is time the Ministry of Labour is notified of this to see if they believe an employee should be forced to work under these conditions.

Gordon Graham
Irondale



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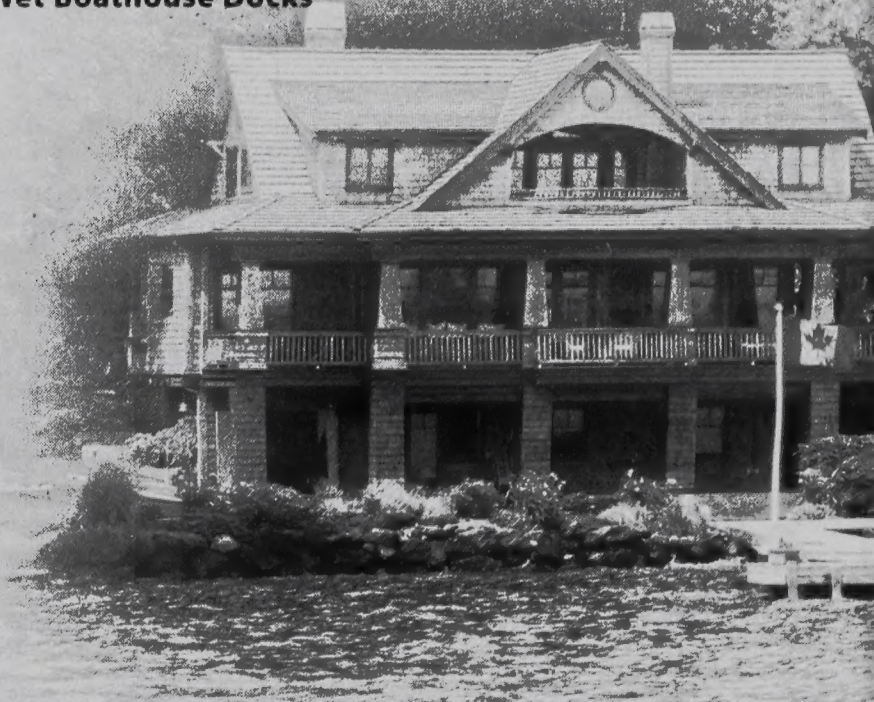
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Couples' adventure illustrates extent of storm damage on ATV trails

Last Saturday night Haliburton ATV Association, in coordination with the local OPP, had to do a search and rescue.

The call came from three couples on ATVs who had gone up a trail eight hours and couldn't go any farther due to downed trees. They had a buck saw and axe but ran out of steam and with darkness setting in they left their ATVs behind and walked out, reaching Hwy 118 two and a half hours later.

Unfortunately the three HATVA searchers spent the night retracing the couples' route only to find that they had walked out.

"We advised them to come back as far as they could the way they came in," says Mark Coles one of the HATVA's trained searchers.

All's well that ends well but those venturing into the wilderness should remember that most trails have many trees blocking the passage and it is often difficult trying to go through or around them. It was the large trees that fell, poplars and pines, often taking down swaths of smaller trees.

Plan for an extended stay in the bush or returning the way you came in if you're venturing out on the trails right

now.

For example there were more than 100 trees down on the trail the three couples were on. "They made the assumption that at some point the trail would be clear - but it only got worse," says Coles.

"It's an enormous number of trees down on the trails. They will take months to clear," says Bob Johnson, president of HATVA.

HATVA has crews clearing the trails as fast as they can. While some trails are cleared most are not.

"It is important for all trail users that we get the trails re-opened for fall. The snowmobile season is not that far away either so we'll be out helping to

clear HCSA trails as well. These trails bring major dollars into the local economy," says Coles.

The Haliburton County Snowmobile Association says it has not yet been able to assess how much damage there has been to its trails.

This Saturday, if you want to help (and you are proficient with a chainsaw and have an atv), HATVA will be meeting at That Place Restaurant in Carnarvon at 10 a.m. to stage for a day of opening trails running south from Hwy 118.

"They made the assumption that at some point the trail would be clear - but it only got worse"

MARK COLES

Storm has hidden benefits; brings out best in people

by RACHEL DE LAZZER
Times Staff

The property of Rolf and Marty Gryciuk may have sustained some of the worst damage between Haliburton and Carnarvon. Shortly after the tornado hit, Rolf told the Echo 15 acres of his trees were flat. But over the past two weeks, the couple is appreciating their "new" home.

"We're getting a sunset every night now, which we've never had before," said Rolf. "We have no bugs during the day or night. That's a first in 14 years. We're cutting wood and working outside and we're not getting any bites. There's a gentle breeze. We can see the weather because we can see the horizon."

Rolf says they have friends down the road who point the same direction as the Gryciuks and they often go there to see the northern lights in winter. "Now we'll be able to see them from where we are," he said.

The Gryciuks aren't the only county residents looking on the up side of the effects of the two tornadoes that swept through the county on Aug. 2.

Doug Turner says that before the storm he and his wife were thinking of thinning their heavily treed lot. The storm has more than taken care of that. "Now we'll really have a view," he jokes. He reckons the clean-up job on his half-acre property backing onto Beech Lake will take months. His wife Mary says about 80 trees went down on their lot.

Doug's wife Mary says the storm brought out the best in people. "It's the kindness of people that stands out," she says.

The Turners were in Calgary when the storm hit their Beech Lake home. They returned on the Friday after the storm and were startled by the scene that greeted them as they drove down St. Peter's Rd. toward Church Lane, where they live. But neighbours had already cleared the road right to their house (they're at the end of the street), as well as a space for them in their driveway.

As the week progressed, a dinner invitation and other acts of generosity made the week more of a blessing than a burden. Four friends from Big Bob Lake came with their chainsaw to help clear brush for a whole day. A couple invited them for dinner and the next day the Turners took a load of brush to the dump for them. The day after, the couple showed up at the Turners' home and helped them clear trees.

Although the Turners know their neighbours well, Mary says they got to know them "a whole lot better" while the power was out.

Louise Cooper of Grass Lake says she didn't cook more than one meal over the six days she had no power. She was alone since her kids were away so friends invited her over for dinner each night. "Everyone welcomed me in like one of the family."

Cooper was also surprised to return from having coffee with a friend the morning after the storm and see that the only tree that had fallen on her property had been chopped up and piled while she was away.

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Severe storm brings out the best in GCH emergency response efforts

by BOB HUGHES
special to The Times

For Galway-Cavendish and Harvey emergency and operations personnel, response to the recent extreme weather situation was more "on-the-spot" action than a formal operation based on central control such as they had learned at their annual emergency preparedness sessions over the past several years.

It is also ironic that the most-recent preparedness practice session, held earlier this summer as a Peterborough County-wide exercise, was based on the passage of a series of violent storms.

The reason why GCH chose not to set up its township office building-based control centre was speed, Reeve Tom Flynn explains.

"The storm was over and the damage was done in a matter of minutes, and what was needed most were people on the scene doing their jobs. Our emergency managers – Roads Superintendent Gerrard Pearson and Fire Chief Don Mitchell – arrived very early on Wednesday night and communicated with their crews by cell phone and in person. In fact, Don Mitchell kept me informed by cell phone so that I could join them to assess the situation and help out as best I could.

"We could not have set up and staffed a control centre in anywhere near the time the situation demanded."

Something township staff could do, and did, was issue information through radio and television, with Treasurer Carol James heard on CBC Radio and other stations urging cottage owners to delay or suspend coming to the area to allow crews to clear the way to their properties. Flynn and Mitchell were interviewed by CHEX-TV, Peterborough, with Mitchell acting as a "geographical" guide aboard the CTV Toronto news helicopter.

Flynn has great praise for Pearson and Mitchell, who were both on the job almost non-stop for up to five days, taking time out only for short naps, and for their people, almost every one of whom worked for long periods of time.

A lot of credit, Flynn adds, goes to the roads department crews for their non-stop efforts at making the local roads passable, and to the township's volunteer firefighters, who completed the arduous task of going door-to-door in the devastated area checking for trapped or injured people within the first 24 hours.



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Declaring a state of emergency is one of the options open to the reeve. Flynn took that step on the advice of the township's insurance provider when it later became advisable to provide insurance protection in case of injury to the crews provided by neighbouring municipalities.

While the extreme damage to the Cavendish area made the headlines, Flynn also wants the residents and cottagers in the Galway Road area to know that his personal and his council's thoughts are with them as well as with their neighbours to the east.

The storm – including an F1 tornado – touched down in the City of Kawartha Lakes Road 121-Galway Road intersection area, travelling and doing severe damage along some 2.5 kilometres of Galway Road before moving along Allen's Road to wreak the widely-publicized havoc along the County Road 507 corridor and in the Catchacoma, Beaver, Mississagua and other lakeside communities.

The storm knocked down trees, two antennae for TV and amateur radio and a satellite dish at the home of John and Elly Gerlings on Galway Road. "I don't know why it hit so hard," John said. "The sky got dark at around 8 pm. Then all of a sudden a gray mass was blowing so fast it was scaring me, so we went downstairs. I've never seen anything like this before. It lasted a few minutes and it was gone."



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The storm blew the roof off a barn on the south side of Highway 121 south of Kinmount.

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Life without hydro no hardship for many people

by RACHEL DE LAZZER
Times Staff

For many county residents, life without hydro meant breakfast on the barbecue, showers in the lake, or family time over a board game. Now, who can complain about that?

The windstorm and tornados on August 2 knocked out power for a week or more for many county residents. But in many cases, it caused little more than inconvenience and sometimes even fun.

Lindsay and Lauren Snelgrove say they didn't miss much over the five days their family was without power. But they know what their mom missed — the vacuum cleaner. "Our dog sheds a lot," explains Lauren, 12.

Although without power for the better part of a week, the Snelgroves' neighbour, Rosemary Chapman, wouldn't disturb the wasp nest inside her barbecue to have a grilled feast. "They're the good kind of wasp," she explains.

It was a chance to pull out the old Coleman. "I love my camp stove," says Chapman. So much so, that even when the Snelgroves invited her over for dinner she couldn't bear to waste the chicken breasts she'd cooked in golden

Rachel De Lazzar/TIMES



Twelve-year-old Lauren Snelgrove and her sister Lindsay, joined by their friend Chloe Kitcheman, were without power for five days at their home west of West Guilford. The only thing their family missed was a vacuum cleaner to pick up after their dog.

mushroom soup along with a few new potatoes on the side.

But Chapman didn't stop at the camp-style version of Chicken a la King. "If you're very careful, you can do toast in a frying pan," she says.

The Denniston kids near Maple Lake don't have much to complain about either. Mom Janet made them pan-

cakes on the side burner of the barbecue. Eggs, bread and jam and a little hot chocolate rounded out their breakfasts. They also played lots of cards and board games. One night they collected sticks for a bonfire. "It was like our 2006 camp trip," says 11-year-old Kate Denniston.

Rolf and Marty Gryciuk were thinking of permanently
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In addition, a thank-you to the individuals and private enterprises who readily helped and gave up their long-weekend to make sure others were safe.

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Bears enjoy a feast as freezers get emptied out

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switching to solar power anyway before the storm hit, so they didn't have a hard time adjusting. Marty is an herbalist so they live very close to the land, says Rolf. He says a couple bags of ice in the fridge kept everything cold. They even had to take their butter out ahead of time so that it was soft enough when they needed it.

Mike Cook, 18, wasn't terribly inconvenienced either. He had only to heat up a rock on the barbecue for his bearded lizard. (Normally, the pet has a heat rock that stays plugged in. The lizard lies on it when he eats and the heat helps him digest his food.)

In some cases, the storm provided a chance to treat every day like a vacation. Chad and Stephanie Burden's kids spent most days next door in their grandparents' pool while Chad and Stephanie kept busy working behind the meat counter at the West Guilford Shopping Centre.

Unlike the Burdens and many other, the Turners on Beech Lake had no generator, but they say nothing of hardship. They ate a lot of peanut butter and jelly sandwiches as well as barbecued food. Doug Turner says he made a trip to the garbage dump with the meat they couldn't keep: "The bears had a feast."

Rachel De Lazer/TIMES



Emily (18), Jillian (16), Kate (11), and Leah Thomas (15), mother Janet Denniston took everything in stride when they found themselves without power at their home on Maple Lake. Janet had just finished mowing the large front lawn. She said her husband usually does it, but the Hydro One linesman was keeping a hectic schedule after the storm hit.



Eighteen-year-olds Kevin Bryant and Mike Cook spent a fair amount of time swimming in the creek near Stanhope Airport when the power was out. Even after the power came on, they kept up the refreshing sport.



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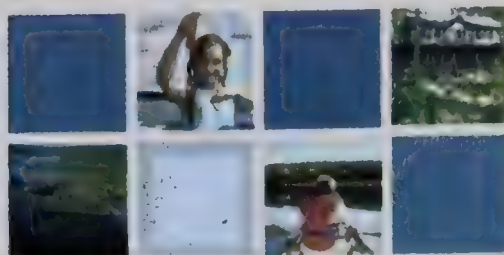
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Play is a study in community spirit

by PAULINE JOHNSON
Special to The Times

The recipe for a successful event depends on the community collaborators who pitch in to help.

Shawn Chamberlin, owner of Grill on the Gull in Minden says, "Your community is only as strong as your volunteers, your theatre, and your arts in general. Without them you have a vacuum. It's a pleasure for us to be able to participate in this production."

Minden Hills is certainly too active to be described as a vacuum. Chamberlin is one of several supporters of The Cultural Centre's latest production, an outdoor theatre experience called *A Little Study in Scheming*. The play, discovered in some papers donated to the Cultural Centre, is an excellent example of Minden's literary heritage from the beginning of the last century. Chamberlin will be providing the elegant hors d'oeuvres before one of the performances which will take place on August 25, 26, and 27. Lucy Gray from Crème de la Crème Catering and Ron Gambell and Suwan from The Wild Orchid will also be contributing fancy hors d'oeuvres for the crowds. The Gallery Committee will provide a scrumptious afternoon tea for the Sunday matinee. Flowers for the reception table will be donated by Jessie Geall of the Horticultural Society.

Family Services' efforts, coordinated by Fay Martin, will provide refreshments and activities for children while the adults enjoy wine and hors d'oeuvres. Ginny

Heming, of Mill Valley Water, will supply bottled water.

Over 100 years after John Delamere, a former publisher of the *Minden Echo*, entertained lavishly in his home, people will be able to view a play that could have been written by him, although there are now four mystery authors from which to choose. Bringing this play to the stage has truly been a community collaboration. Aside from the members of The Conjurors of County Town and the staff of the cultural centre — Michael Fay, Jack Brezina, Sue Reid, Fay Martin, Dianne Graham, Carol Simmons and Erin Kernohan — volunteers have been quick to come forward with help and suggestions.

The production staff is grateful to Caryl Miller, Ellen Timmins and Highlands Little Theatre for costumes, including a wedding dress.

The municipality has been generous in providing rehearsal space, the loan of a stage and bleachers for seating as well as other conveniences. The performance area will be set up like a theatre in the round with a thrust stage and other platforms. Thanks go to the Parks and Recreation Department for installing the stage and bleachers. Draping for the back of the bleachers was sewn by Mickey Bonham and Lucy Gray and hand painted by Mandy Booth.

Credit goes to Erin Kernohan for design-

ing posters for the play as well as the official program. The Conjurors of County Town also thank the following sponsors on the program: Of Sound Body, Curry Motors, Rachel Gillholly & Associates, Whispers North, Earth & Fire Pottery, Michael Fay and Associates

Michael Fay expresses his gratitude to Amy Brohm and Jack Brezina for interviewing Erin Kernohan and himself for Arts Week on Canoe FM; to Pauline Johnson for writing a series of articles about the steps to producing this play and to Erin Kernohan for creating a website for the play that has received kudos from many theatre people.

Ticket sellers Kim Russell and Shirley Kuni of My Size Ladies Fashions and Mary

Chevdukas of Kitchen's Etc. as well as The Rail's End Gallery are gratefully acknowledged.

Sue Reid is the big organizer behind the little details. "I do catch-up fringe stuff such as arranging refreshments and overseeing things related to the set-up of the receptions. We need the help of anyone who is interested in helping with this or future ventures."

As one of the Conjurors of County Town, she is proud to promote it as a vehicle for the coordination of the "cultural corner" of the municipality. "The centre is a great place for lovers of art, literature and history to work together. This was emphasized in the Lord Report that

was done several years ago."

People helping Sue with the reception and other miscellaneous tasks include: Mickey and Glen Bonham, Rose Paliwoda, Sandy Valentine, June Anderson, Jeanne Anthon, Pat Cupis, Pegi Eysers, Jessie Geall, Marie Lennard, Megan Kernohan, Fred Simmons, Rob Hood, Fred Reid and Gord Graham.

Last, but not least, on the list of benefactors for the play is The Haliburton County Development Corporation which showed strong support with a grant to cover start up expenses of the production.

Laure Cunliffe who coordinated the use of things that the municipality could provide sums it up. "A great many wishes are sent to the volunteers who sacrifice their time to bring something wonderful to our community. I know the staff and volunteers at the Cultural Centre and the Community Centre have worked very hard to ensure a great performance will be enjoyed by all! Pray for great weather and please support this wonderful local event and its generous sponsors. No doubt the quality of the event will do Minden Hills proud."

Tickets for the performances on August 25, 26 and 27 are available at The Minden Hills Cultural Centre and My Size Ladies' Fashions in Minden. In Haliburton tickets can be purchased at Kitchens Etc. or at The Rail's End Gallery. The performance will take place on the museum grounds of The Minden Hills Cultural Centre. The play begins at 6:30 p.m. but come early around 5 p.m. and enjoy the hors d'oeuvres and a glass of wine. A rain date for the performances is Sunday evening, August 27.

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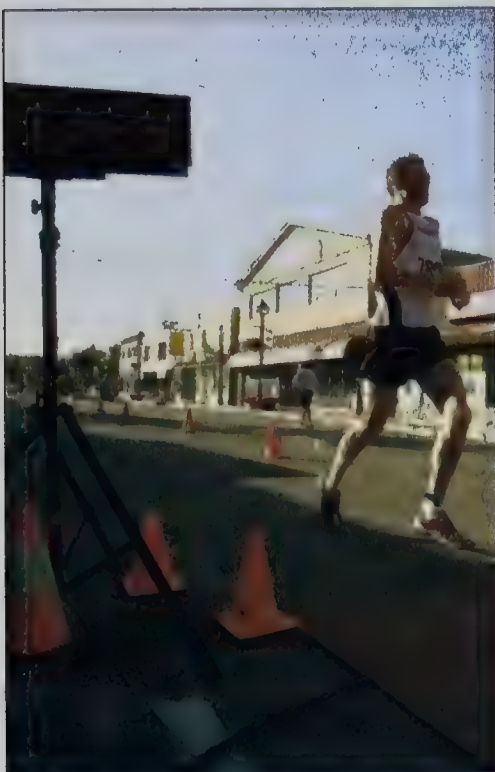


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The annual Highland Yard race through downtown Minden on August 4 had 232 runners raising money for the Amici camping charity, which helps children attend camp. Competitors had the option of a five or ten kilometer race. Left: Paul Leduc crosses the finish line, winning the 10K race in a time of 32:02. Below: Steve and Shawn Hemming check their results in the 10K race. Steve was 28th overall and 7th in the men's over-50 category, while Shawn was 4th in the men's and first for 20-29.



Anna and Matthew Mosholian of Toronto wait for Anna's husband and Matthew's dad Andrew, who placed 36th overall.

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It is Councils intention to keep the two (2) bag limit of household waste; however, residents may dispose of additional contaminated refrigerated foods for this weekend only - August 19/20, 2006 (for those residents whom were unable to come to Minden Hills last weekend).
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Halls and Hawk lakes join lobby to review TSW

by **BRYN WEESE**
Times Staff

The following are brief notes from the Halls and Hawk Lakes Property Owners Association's annual general meeting held Sunday, August 6 at the former grounds of Camp Kawabi.

Carole Russell updated the members about the private members bill at the federal government level designed to review the Trent Severn Waterway legislation that has been in place since 1906.

Russell had attended a stakeholders meeting recently where she received valuable information about the bill that aims to review the waterway operating policies, including the draining of the reservoir lakes, such as Halls, and the Hawk Lakes.

Approved was a motion to join the group of stakeholders interested in participating in the discussions as they unfold.

The cost to participate is 25 cents per member.

Also, Russell urged all members to write to MPs to acknowledge their support for the bill. A partial list of letter recipients will be available on the association's website as will information to include in the letters.

Fire department needs a boat

Ryan Reesor of the Algonquin Highlands Stanhope Fire Department, and also a Halls Lake resident, said that they were fundraising to purchase a new 18 foot welded aluminum boat, motor and trailer to better serve water access cottagers. The fire department is anticipating a total cost of \$16,000.

Currently, the fire department makes approximately 12 water calls on the Hawk/Halls lakes annually and commandeering boats is beginning to pose problems because of liability and regulation concerns.

"All of the other fire departments in the county have boats," Reesor said. "We are just trying to catch up."

The boat would have to be big enough to hold a stretcher.

Speed limit

Now that the Halls Lake Road has been resurfaced, some residents are complaining that people are speeding down the smooth roadway and that it is dangerous.

One resident suggested lowering the speed limit from 60 km/hour to 25 km/hour.

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison said that because the road was a dead end in both directions, she would



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Charlie Robinson, who has been keeping the association's finances in order as treasurer for 40 years, gave his final treasurer's report after announcing that he was passing the torch. "The good thing about being treasurer," he said, "is that you know what the heck is going on. You know exactly what and how the association is doing."

take the recommendation to council and keep the members informed about their decision.

Hawk Lake landing

After receiving complaints about the present landing, the association will inquire about the possibility of putting its own docks on the municipal shoreline road allowance between the Big Hawk Road and the Big Hawk Lake and leasing permission from the Federal Water Lot.

Noise complaints and bylaw

The association is going to be writing a

letter to both the current Algonquin Highlands council and the new incoming council to take office in December in support of changes to the township's noise bylaw that would establish a curfew of 11 p.m. for noisy activity.

Due to a high number of complaints from Little Hawk Lake residents about noise from a business on the lake, Legate has been meeting often with the township's bylaw enforcement officer, Don Kidd.

Legate says Kidd supports a curfew of 11 p.m. and would be bringing his recommendation LAKE PLAN page 17

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Lake plan responds to evolving concerns

mentation to council in the near future. The association is also going to contact other lake associations in the municipality to support Kidd's recommendations.

Lake plan

At a cost of \$18,000 and after three years of hard work, the HHLPOA's Lake Plan is finally complete.

Executive summaries were made available and the entire document will be on the website in the fall.

"The long and short of it is that we now know what's important to you," said Carole Russell, who chaired the lake plan committee.

Still left to do, Russell said, was to prioritize the issues identified as residents as important and also to develop programs to address those concerns.

Also, said Russell, the plan will be a 'living' document that will be tweaked about once a year.

Of the 632 property owners around the three lakes; Halls, Little Hawk and Big Hawk, the association received a 33 per cent response for their paper surveys which is a very good result, Russell said.

911 signs

The last of the new 911 signs were given to the water

access and remote property owners who had yet to receive them.

They were reminded by the Stanhope Fire Department, which handed them out, to install them high enough that they would not be covered in snow and that they were not covered by trees or bushes.

It was unanimously agreed that the association would donate \$150 to the fire department for providing the signs, as well as coffee and muffins for the members.

Also, it was noted by the association's President George Legate that the fire department had been very responsive to the lakes' needs recently with five calls in the previous two weeks.

Lake Steward reports

Water clarity levels for all three lakes, as indicated by secchi disk readings, remained unchanged from last year. Halls Lake continues to show good clarity levels with the average visibility since 1992 being 6.9 metres.

Pinch, the lake steward for the Hawk Lakes, is seeking water temperature histories from property owners for comparison and change. A warming trend in the lake could explain the noticed increase in blue-green algae growth.

Anyone with log books or journals chronicling the water temperatures over the years is asked to send the information to gpinch@rogers.com.

New website

The HHLPOA has a new, paid website that the directors hope will better serve the members than the previous free-space website.

The new address, www.halls-hawk-lakes.com, while still under construction, has greater storage capacity and is hoped to be fully operational by the end of August or early September.

A few year-round residents have agreed to update Exon and the website on news and photos of the area in the off-season.

Council update

Eleanor Harrison was pleased to announce to rousing applause that despite earlier reports, the Hawk Lake landfill site would be open for another 12 years. The consulting firm, she said, went back and reviewed their study and found they had made an error.

Also, Harrison said that currently, the plan is for the Hawk Lake landfill site to become a transfer station once it does reach capacity. The association had lobbied to have a transfer station established when they thought their landfill would be closed within the year as council had previously believed.



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Power outage hits Camp Kilcoo with perfect timing

by BRYN WEESE
Times Staff

Someone was smiling at Kilcoo Camp during last week's storm, because the only ones there to witness it were the staff.

The July campers had been sent home on the 30th of that month, and the camp went into its usual mid-summer break when the staff is allowed to go home. The staff returned to Kilcoo for August on Wednesday, August 2, the night of the infamous storm.

"They thought it was cool, because it was a wild storm," explains David 'Lub' Latimer, the camp's director since 1985. "Our [August] kids arrived the day after the storm."

But while Kilcoo was empty during the storm, which brought down a modest two or three trees, the camp still had to deal with no power for nearly three days, it having been restored by lunchtime on Saturday.

"As far as the infrastructure of the camp is concerned, you realize how important power is for all the food, the water and the sewage," Latimer says. "But what we think of as camp — the campfires, kids, games and activities — power has nothing to do with it. That's why, to the kids, it doesn't matter. They have a great time."

The storm that rocked Haliburton County did make news broadcasts in the urban centres as did the lasting power outage that continues for nearly 7,500 residents at the time of print. Surprisingly, the camp, which is at full capacity with 232 children, didn't receive a single call during the long weekend asking how 'little Johnny' was doing without power.

"You're not going to believe this," Latimer says. "We didn't have one call. The way the parents look at it is, it's just like camping. The kids didn't miss a beat, they just don't have a lightbulb at night."

Without power, the camp did change their routine ever so slightly. To begin with, there were three 18-wheel trucks parked on the campgrounds; two were refrigerated trucks sent up from Toronto and the third was a water truck from Peterborough.

Also, in addition to the six scheduled canoe trips leaving the camp on Saturday of the long weekend, two others were sent out as well to slightly ease the burden on the camp's systems.

And lastly, the camp's flush toilets were closed, leaving only the hole-in-the-ground outhouses in use.

Thankfully, due in large part to Latimer's brother, who organized the three trucks, no food was spoiled. But that is a chance Latimer is not going to take again.

He is already thinking about buying a large generator to keep at the camp in case of future power outages.

"I think in the fall, we're going to spend the money to buy a big generator," he says. "From what I read, it sounds to me like the storms are getting stronger and more violent every year. To go two or three days [without power], it's okay, but if this continues every year it might be worth the money."



When HydroOne asked Minden United Church to host a dinner for its hungry crews, it expected to have the meal catered. But since Irene Moxam had two roasts in the freezer they got a home-cooked meal instead.

United Church feeds weary hydro workers

by BRYN WEESE
Times Staff

Irene Moxam is the social convener at the Minden United Church and she was a little surprised when Hydro One called her on Thursday around lunchtime to ask if they could use the church to feed their crew.

Hydro One was planning to cater. Irene would hear nothing of it.

"When they called asking to use the church, I had three great big roasts in the freezer and some bags of peas. It doesn't take long to organize a dinner," she says. "We weren't able to get any homemade pies which we usually have at all of our other dinners, but it was an emergency."

Moxam's main role at the church is meals and so, not surprisingly, she is used to dealing with large, hungry crowds. In fact, growing up as the oldest in a large family, she's been cooking for crowds all of her life.

In this case, she can personally appreciate the need for the hydro workers to be well fed and taken care of.

"My husband worked for hydro when we were first married 52 years ago. He was away most of the time and I know when he'd come home, he was just totally exhausted," she says. "If there is anything that you can do to help, you certainly will do it."

Moxam's estimate was that there were close to 70 workers being fed at the church that night, just after electricity was restored to the town of Minden. But, she says, she and her three helpers were far too busy to count.

"There were only four of us and our tails were dragging," she says. "I think there was around 70 people. There was just so much going on, that you didn't have time to count."

Moxam says that while the hydro workers didn't do the dishes, most helped clear the tables. And they all expressed their gratitude to the four women — Jean Collier, Pat Bradburn, Pat Thorne and Moxam — for the meal.

"Irene was just terrific to our staff and put on a wonderful dinner," says Al Manchew of Hydro One. "Our people really, really appreciated their hospitality and the lengths

they went to to make our people feel comfortable and well fed."

Bill Smeaton, also of Hydro One, has heard great things about Moxam's dinner too.

"I've heard the dinner was amazing," says Bill Smeaton from Hydro One. "I think she's being kind of light on the 70. I've heard it might have been closer to 100. But she would know better."

Smeaton says that in situations such as these, Hydro One sees first-hand how generous people can be in hard times.

Whether it's an individual in West Guilford cooking hamburgers for emergency workers, the Minden United Church having them for dinner, and even residents offering their homes and cottages to Hydro One to use (which they haven't accepted for legal reasons), Smeaton says big storms seem to bring out the best in people time and time again.

"I can't express how grateful Hydro One is for the public support in this time of crisis," he says. "The people have been amazing. The community has sure come together on this."

One of his theories to explain why the people of Haliburton County have been so hospitable could be because they have a good understanding of just how hard it is for people to work in the forested areas nearby.

"We have a lot of people [in the county] who work in the bush, so they know what these workers are dealing with," he says. "People up here know what it's like to slog through the bush day after day."

Smeaton says that, with Hydro One crews in the area at least until the end of the week, he hopes the kind generosity and hospitality in the county continues. He also hopes that everyone remains safe by staying clear of downed power lines, especially now since grids are being turned back on.

"People become comfortable with the lines," he says. "They have seen them lying there all week and they get to them, but please, please don't touch them. So far, we've been fortunate and we want to keep it that way."

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Get ready for the 135th Kinmount Fair

It seems hard to believe but the 135th edition of the famous Kinmount Fair is fast approaching set for Friday, September 1 through Sunday, September 3. Preparations are well underway for the impressive Heritage Display by the Kinmount Pioneer Society and this year's theme will be A Celebration of Textiles. Special interactive displays will offer visitors the chance to try their hand at traditional skills and learn more about family life on the pioneer homestead.

My appreciation goes out to weavers Betty and Marlene who already have been busy putting the long warp onto the barn loom circa 1850. Because of its size this requires considerable time and patience with one weaver sitting inside the loom passing the long threads to the other seated on the built-in bench. These old looms, crafted from whatever woods were available, could be easily dismantled and stored until needed by a household or indeed a community. Ours, although designed for its functional purpose, shows small touches of the early craftsman's pride of handiwork in the detail he has patiently scribed on the uprights. Grasping the big beater to secure the rag strips into place one feels connected to the past through wood worn smooth by hands of long ago. It is a moving experience. I will be at the loom on Fair Saturday so do drop by and say hello.

Mark your calendars too for the Kinmount & District Lions Club's annual Monster Bingo in the arena at the fairgrounds on Thursday, August 31 with doors open at 5:30 p.m. and bingo starting at 7 p.m. There is a \$1,000 Must Go Jackpot and refreshments will be available.

This week's Thursday evening Music in the Park will feature local country band

Them with Greg Sutherland. Come out to the pavilion area in Kinmount's beautiful Austin Sawmill Heritage Park for a 6:30 p.m. start and be sure to bring along your comfortable lawn chair.

Visitors to this weekend's 2006 Summer Art Shows series Saturday and Sunday August 19 and 20 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Kinmount Railway Station will meet



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Rick Liefer was someone who took pride in keeping our town of Kinmount looking its best. He particularly attended to the Cenotaph area recognizing its significance as a symbol of honour and respect. Rick has passed away and will be missed by those who knew and worked with him and for his contribution to our community.

Now for the Scoring News with your usual reminder to keep busy and well. They go together.

August 8 contract bridge at Stanhope: Theresa Carroll and Harold Cox took the afternoon's only Slam. Dorothy Kinsman led the high scores with 5810 followed by Herbert Kolarek 5660, Theresa Carroll 5530 and Pearl Foster 4820. The lucky draw winner was Gloria Moore, Wally Thomson received the Shiny

Penny and to Dorothy Kinsman it was the K.K. Award for being the Kinsman Kutie.

AROUND THE TOWN

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August 8 bid euchre at Minden Legion: In first at 310 was Thelma Francis with Pauline Franzen 308 second and Don Burch 303 third. Moonshots landed on Marcel Roussel, Jean Scadden, Helen Mackey and Chris Ross while Maria Tschida, Jesse Barlow, Dorothy Walters and Eileen Shepstone held the hidden scores.

August 9 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: In North/South Ron and Ken Sheppard were first at 64% then Vera Carnochan and Harold Cox second at 50%. East/West winners were Freda Norman and Ev Morgan at 65% with Vange Croucher and Margo Davidson second at 56%.

August 9 bid euchre at Stanhope: Moonshot quintet members were Verna McDonald, Helen Windsor, Maxine Thomson, Lorne Dinesen and Gala Stamp. Don Burch led the whites at 314 with Tom Grix 312 second and John Grimbergen 266 third. For the pinks top spot went to our reporter Gala Stamp at 349 then Leola Wheeler 268 and Dorothy Walters 256.

August 9 Kinmount Seniors euchre at Kinmount Legion: For the ladies Thelma Francis was high and Mildred St. Thomas low with Theresa Deak high man and Roger Fournier low. Theresa also won for lone hands while Mike St. Thomas took home the draw prize.

August 10 euchre at Minden Legion: Lone hand honours went to Lorne Dinesen and Tom Grix with Leola Wheeler and Jim Bradbury recording the high scores. Theresa Deak and Margaret Fletcher tallied up the evening's lows with Murray Daniels, Jesse Barlow, Syd Adamson, Edith Burch and Lois Adamson winning the other prizes.

August 11 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Bruce Armstrong and Harold Cox led in North/South at 63% followed by Judy Neimann and Norma Crewson at 58%. Over in East/West it was Ruth and Jim Forster leading at 59% with Vange Croucher and Ken Sheppard next at 55%.

August 11 bid euchre at Club 35: Jean Dutka had the only two moonshots while Clara Miscio held the hidden score. Tops for the pinks was Marion Farr 284 then Sally Rose 277 and Audrey Wimpers 274. For the whites it was Peter Farr leading at 316 with Ken Logan 311 second and Tom Pearson 223 third.

August 12 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: First for the whites was Theresa Deak 387 with Tom Grix 245 second and June Branning 242 third. Pink champion was Thelma Francis 264 then Pearl Cowen 260 and Gala Stamp 249. The draws went to Verna McDonald, Dorothy Walters and Edith Burch.

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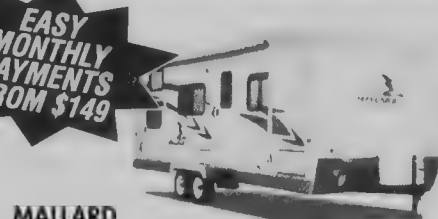
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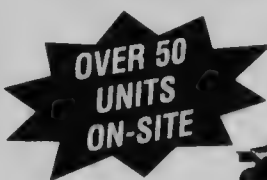
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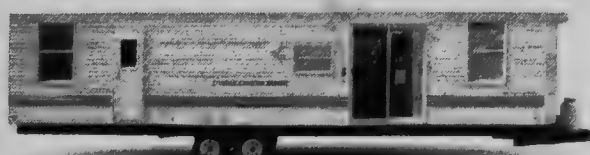
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Tropical weather reported in July

by PHIL GRAHAM
Special to the Times

Finally a report on the weather action in July. This is almost a tropical report with very warm temperatures, rain and showers plus thunderstorms. The average temperatures was 20.4°C (68.7°F). Last July it was 20.6°C (69.0°F), only 0.2 degrees difference. This July there was much humidity so it seemed warmer.

We had much rain this July. Last year only 26.6 mm (an inch) fell; this year we got 98 mm (3.8 inches). The wettest day was July 26 when we got almost two inches.

The river temperature is 25°C (77°F), the same as last year. The highest temperature was 33°C on July 17. Last July was 34°C

on July 12.

Needless to say August started very rough. Report next month.

Average High: 27.2°C, 80.9°F

Average Low: 13.6°C, 56.4°F

Average for the Month: 20.4°C, 68.7°F

Average for last July: 20.6°C, 69.0°F

Highest Temperature: July 12, 33.0°C, 91.4°F

Lowest Temperature: July 24, 7.5°C, 45.5°F

Rain: 98 mm, 3.8 inches.

Total Precip. for last July 26.4, 1.0 inches

Days Mostly Sunny: 14

Days with Rain: 10

Days with Thunderstorms: 9

River Temperature: July 31, 25.0°C, 77.0°F.

Loonie Extravaganza is back

Each year always on the Thursday before the 23rd of August, Sally Moore of Sunny Rock Bed & Breakfast organizes and holds a most unique and extraordinary fundraising event. Two hours of fun, games and laughter result in two local non-profit organizations receiving the needed operating monies for the coming year. How can your not-for-profit organization benefit? Members of your board of directors, volunteers and staff of your organization are encouraged to attend the Loonie Extravaganza this year to represent your organization. Moore suggests that the more people you have attending this fun night from your organization, the greater the possibility of winning half or all of the proceeds of the evening. Near the finale of the evening, one representa-

tive from each non-profit organization may briefly introduce their organization to the others attending the evening.

Then each participant is given a ballot on which they are to write the name of the organization they feel is worthy of the evening's donations. All the ballots are collected and put into a hat. Two ballots are chosen from the hat like a lottery. The more times your organization's name is in the hat the more likely your organization will receive the proceeds of the evening.

Participants of the evening should be prepared to make a financial donation, and bring a gift for the prize table.

To learn more about the Loonie Extravaganza call Sally Moore at 286-4922. Everyone must RSVP for your ticket to the event. Space is limited.



A roaring good toll bridge

The Minden Lions Club raised over \$3000 during their annual fundraising toll bridge on Saturday of the long weekend. With no power, no food and no running water, people flocked to the town of Minden for supplies, entertainment and a bit to eat and that translated into good news for the service club.

The club usually holds its toll bridge during the May 24 weekend, but the passing of Lion stalwart Ray Moore meant they had to postpone.

Given Saturday's success, the club is going to lobby Minden Hills council to allow them to permanently switch the dates from May to August.

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Tom and Gail decided to become involved in real estate after retiring from their first career of banking for 35 years for Tom and critical care nursing for Gail. They chose to make their cottage on Canning Lake their permanent home. The cottage country lifestyle suited them to a "T". They are presently building a new home on Boshkung Lake where they will reside with their two dogs and lazy cat Fozzie. In 2002, Tom volunteered to become involved with the Muskoka-Haliburton Association of Realtors as a Director. Having served as President in 2005 he continues to be involved with the Board and the issues facing the industry in today's market. Tom and Gail work together as a dedicated team. They offer real estate services that are professional, convenient and comprehensive to all of their customers and clients. They invite you to visit them at their new office in Minden where they are pleased to be of service to you or anyone you know needing help or advice with real estate. They believe,

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St. Mary Magdalene's Anglican Church is holding a pot luck dinner, silent auction and choir concert at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Thursday, August 17 at 6 p.m. Bring a dish and something for the auction and join the fun. The cost is \$5 per person. For more information, contact Reverend Heather at 705-641-8787.

Dorset Family Movie Night is Friday, August 18 starting at 7 p.m. at the Dorset Recreation Centre. The popcorn is free and admission is by donation. "Nanny McPhee" is the featured film and all are welcome. Pop, chips and candy will be available for purchase. For more information, contact the Dorset Recreation Centre at 766-9968. Ladies, are you wearing the correct sized bra? Why not come to the next bra clinic to be held at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Wednesday, August 23 with 7 hour appointments available between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. To find

out more, call the Recreation Centre at 766-9968.

There will be a Foot Clinic at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Wednesday, August 23. For more information or to book an appointment, please call Joyce McKey at 766-2265.



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The next Dorset Seniors Club Rama Trip takes place on Friday, August 25 leaving Dorset at 8:30 a.m. at a cost of \$5 per person which includes a lunch coupon.

The Dorset Recreation Centre is now taking appointments for massages with Jocelyn Smith for Monday, August 28. Jocelyn is co-owner of Ahimsa, Huntsville and this is her second summer offering this wonderful service to the residents of Dorset. You can make a half hour or one hour appointment by calling 766-9968.

The next community garage sale takes place at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Saturday, September 2 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.. Reserve your table for \$5 and make a

fortune selling your good used stuff. Call 766-9968 to reserve.

The 33rd Annual Dorset Lions Club Family Fish Derby takes place on Sunday, September 3. For more information, contact Jim at 766-2465.

When people come to Haliburton to cottage, they usually leave behind their ordinary pursuits such as working, watching T.V. or surfing the net. This leaves more time for enjoying nature and connecting with family, friends, and the inner spirit. When living here, we may slowly forget that these "old-fashioned" activities are part of what made the Highlands so special to us and we may get into the old rut. So turn off the tube, log off the net and do those things that will improve the quality of your life.

The Haliburton County Public Library can help with books on how to play any game you can imagine with family and friends, books for knowledge or entertainment to boost your spirit and books on Haliburton County's many wonders. Get connected @ your library!

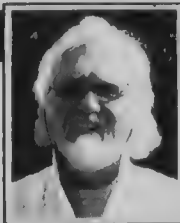
Birthday wishes for the week of August 13 to 19 go out to Samantha Ellerington, Norm MacKay, Cory Keown, Marlene Clarke, Wes Lowell and Jack Lilliman. Celebrate and have fun on your special day!

To submit an item of interest or a birthday wish, please email me at melalfano@hotmail.com or give me a call at 705-766-0076.



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Storm changes life in Stanhope

But community event organizers undeterred as August proves to be a fun-filled month

A catastrophe such as the storm and tornadoes we had seemed to bring out the best in most people at the time. For guys it was fun to get out the chainsaws and clear the roads, and what woman doesn't like romantic candlelight in the evenings? However, as time goes by and the reality of costs to clean up fallen trees and other things sinks in, tempers are flaring and people's nerves are stretching. I've had a few phone calls this week wondering if I would cover the problems of some in this column. The incessant noise of chainsaws is driving some residents and their guests crazy.

It's not my job to editorialize, and I must admit I prefer to cover more positive events and issues in a community column. We are really fortunate to have a variety of wonderful restaurants in the area so, if you need a break, you can go out for a meal and stay for the entertainment. The Firehouse Restaurant at Ox Narrows will feature Tara Tuma, a band that plays primarily '80s music as well as a few current tunes this Saturday, August 19.

On August 26 the Firehouse Restaurant will hold its fabulous Rock the Dock Event. Last year's proceeds from this musical extravaganza went to the Stanhope Fire Department; this year's

proceeds will go to the Heart and Stroke Foundation. The restaurant's kitchen will be closed down and volunteers will man the barbecue and beer tent. All profits will go to the foundation. They hope to raise around \$8,000.



STANHOPE LIFE

Pauline Johnson
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Only 450 wrist bands will be available at a cost of \$15 each, \$20 if you want a Firehouse t-shirt. Last year the event sold out and this year half of the wrist bands are gone already. Things start at 10 a.m. with a free pancake breakfast. Donations to the cause would be gratefully accepted.

Also at 10 a.m. is the Ugly Boat Parade, otherwise known as The Relic Fest. From noon to 4 p.m. there will be karaoke with an open mic. At 4 p.m. the bands will take over - Sheri Hawkins and Shri Stevens of Tumb 55; Your New Neighbours and lastly, The Wheat Kings.

The restaurant is also hosting a golf tournament on Sunday, August 20 with proceeds going to the Heart and Stroke Foundation too. Proprietors Anita and Jay Manning work hard to support causes that mean a lot to the community in which

they live and the month of August is a great time to get people out.

Don't forget movie night at Club 35 on Thursdays at 7 p.m.. This week's film is *Elf*, a movie about a human who thinks he's an elf. His adventures in the real world away from the North Pole will get you rolling on the floor with laughter. Bring your best elf hat and shoes to win a prize.

The Dark Skies Night event and pot luck dinner sponsored by The Halls/Hawk Property Owners' Association on Saturday happens on August 19. It will take place at Elvin Johnson Park on Halls Lake. Bring a salad, main course or dessert as well as plates, cutlery, a beverage and a chair.

The program is divided into three parts. From 7 - 8 p.m. dinner will be served.

From 8 - 9:30 p.m. there will be a presentation on Making Sense of the Night. It will be all about Haliburton wolves and participants can try a wolf howl. There will be interactive games for young and old and as well as a discussion on why animals, insects and people need darkness. At 9:30 p.m. someone from the Peterborough Astronomical Society will discuss fixtures that are friendly to wildlife and stars and what to buy. There will be a guided tour of the night sky. Bring binoculars, if you can, and try out a telescope. You can assist in our efforts to darken the night skies over our lakes by minimizing the intensity and use of your outdoor lights.

To submit any item of interest to this regular weekly column, please e-mail bpjohnson@sympatico.ca or call (705) 489-3878. Share what you know about what's happening in Stanhope, what Stanhope residents are up to or how you enjoyed a particular event or gathering.



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In the matter of Section 45 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chpt. P. 13, as amended and in the matter of Zoning By-law No. 06-10, as amended.

APPLICATION FILE NO.: MAV A09/2006
APPLICANT/OWNER: Ross WARBURTON
PROPERTY LOCATION: Part Lot 11, Concession 1, Geographic Township of Minden.

PURPOSE OF APPLICATION: Requesting a variance of 5.85 metres from Section 5.2 of table 4 in Zoning By-law 06-10 with respect to the front yard setback in a Rural (RU) zone. The applicant is proposing to construct an agricultural building closer to the front yard than permitted in the zoning by-law.

HEARING DATE: Tuesday, August 29, 2006
TIME: 5:30 p.m.
PLACE AND ADDRESS: Municipal Council Chambers
7 Milne Street,
Minden, Ontario.

ANY PERSON may attend the public hearing and/or make written comments to the Township of Minden Hills either in support of, or in opposition to the proposed minor variance.

FAILURE TO ATTEND HEARING - If you do not attend at the public meeting, it may proceed in your absence and, except as otherwise provided in the Planning Act, you will not be entitled to any further notice in the proceedings.

NOTICE OF DECISION - A copy of the decision of the Committee will be sent to the applicant and to each person who appeared in person or by counsel at the public hearing and who has filed with the secretary-treasurer, a written request for notice of the decision.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding this application will be available for public inspection during normal office hours, at the Building and Planning Department for the Township of Minden Hills.

Dated this 16th day of August 2006.

(Ms) Elinor Kernohan, CMO, CMM
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SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS

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The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day at the Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office, 1123 North Shore Road, Minden

Property Description:

Roll No. 46 21 020 000 67300 0000, Part of Lot 4, Concession 11, Geographic Township of McClintock, Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton (No. 19) Designated as Parts 1, 2 & 3 on Plan 19R7095. File No. 99-03
Minimum Tender Amount \$5,580.79

Roll No. 46 21 002 000 34400 0000, Part Lot 27, Concession 4, Geographic Township of Stanhope, In the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton (No. 19), Designated as Parts 60, 87 and 96 on Reference Plan RD-143. File No. 04-05
Minimum Tender Amount \$12,579.22

Roll No. 46 21 002 000 59300 0000, Part Lot 26, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Stanhope, Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton (No. 19), Designated as Part 8, Plan RD-148, Together with a Right of Way over Part 27, Plan RD 148 for the purposes of ingress, egress and access to and from Maple Lake. File No. 04-07
Minimum Tender Amount \$7,912.79

Roll No. 46 21 002 000 59800 0000, Part Lot 26, Concession 5, Geographic Township of Stanhope, Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton (No. 19), Designated as Part 13, Plan RD 148, Together with a Right of Way in common with others entitled thereto, over and along parts 25 and 26, Plan RD 148. File No. 04-08
Minimum Tender Amount \$7,600.19

Roll No. 46 21 003 000 02400 0000, Part Broken Lot 3, Concession 7, Geographic Township of Stanhope, In the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton (No. 19), As in Instrument No. 120415. File No. 04-09
Minimum Tender Amount \$16,062.73

Roll No. 46 21 021 000 06900 0000, Part Lot 16, Concession 14, Geographic Township of McClintock, In the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton (No. 19), As in Instrument No. 209271. File No. 04-20
Minimum Tender Amount \$29,996.50

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit in the form of a money order or of a bank draft or cheque certified by a bank or trust corporation payable to the municipality and representing at least 20 per cent of the tender amount.

The municipality makes no representation regarding the title to or any other matters relating to the land to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential purchasers.

This sale is governed by the *Municipal Act, 2001* and the *Municipal Tax Sales Rules* made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes and the relevant land transfer tax.

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser.

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For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender, visit

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- **Now until Aug. 22:** Stanhope Recreation Program – Kids Card & Board Games for children who love to play card & board games & to meet new friends. Drop by the Stanhope Library on Tuesdays from 1 to 3:30 p.m. Cost per child. Parents are welcome to join in, or not, your choice.
- **Now until Aug. 23:** Stanhope Recreation Program – Kids Fun Day at the Stanhope Community Centre on Northshore Rd from 9 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesdays to August 23. Drop in or pre-register. Kids can play games, make crafts, cook, visit the playground, play with the sprinkler & much more. Call (705) 766-9968 for cost. Bring a lunch, bathing suit, sunscreen and bug spray. For children ages 6-12.
- **Now until Aug. 31:** Celebrating 10 years of Supporting Canadian Artists. Exhibition of Art "Inspired by Haliburton", The Ethel Curry Gallery, 457-9687. Free.
- **Aug. 16:** Haliburton Village Heritage Walks – Join the staff of the Haliburton Highlands Museum on heritage tours of old Haliburton Village. We meet Wednesday, 9 a.m. at the public dock. Info 457-2760.
- **Aug. 16:** Geocaching: A GPS Treasure hunt –9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Kinark Outdoor Centre, on Queen's Line off Hwy. #118 west of Carnarvon. "Geocaching" is an outdoor treasure hunt and is becoming popular around the world. Learn the basics of GPS (Global Positioning System). Registration required. Stewardship Council 286-5206.
- **Aug. 17:** Stanhope Recreation – Family Movie Night at Club 35, Thursdays 7 p.m. "Elf". Thinking of Christmas? This movie is about a human who thinks he's an elf. His adventures in the real world away from the North Pole will get you rolling on the floor with laughter. Bring your best elf hat and shoes to win a prize!
- **Aug. 17:** Healthy Cooking Class with Jocelyn Smith at the Dorset Rec Centre over lunch hour, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Call 766-9968 for cost.
- **Aug. 18:** Dorset Family Movie Night at the Dorset Rec Centre, 7 p.m., free popcorn!
- **Aug. 18:** Music by the Gull. A series of free outdoor concerts. Bring a lawn chair. Opposite the Minden Post Office. 7 p.m. until dusk. Friday, Aug. 18th, Highlands Concert Band.
- **Aug. 19:** Horseshoe Lake Property Owners' Assoc. – Wine & Cheese Social will be held on Aug. 19 at the cottage property of Bruce & Lee Wilson, W-77, 1090 Steumpel Drive, between 3 & 5 p.m. Adult cottagers and their guests are welcome.
- **Aug. 19:** Sat., 1 p.m. Moore Lake Property Owners' Assoc. Family Day, Silent Auction & BBQ at the Noble Motel & Restaurant, Hwy. 35 Moore Falls. Fun activities for kids and grown ups. Silent Auction. BBQ hamburgers, hot dogs and corn on the cob available at a nominal cost. To donate items to the Silent Auction contact Doris Borer 454-3728 or drop off at the July 8th AGM. Please bring a lawn chair. Volunteers needed, contact Sandy Watt 454-2232 weekends.
- **Aug. 19:** All the businesses in Fort Irwin have come together to provide the funds for the celebration. The event will be held at 12 noon, rain date to be Sun., Aug. 20 at 12 noon. Murray Fearrey will unveil a new "Fort Irwin sign". Serving lemonade, hot dogs and birthday cake. For more info. call Barb Hammond at 754-1572.
- **Aug. 20:** 3rd Haliburton County Rail Trail Relay – Running relay on the rail trail, Kinmount to Haliburton. There are 6 legs ranging in distance from 2.5 to 11 km. This is a fun event suitable for runners of all ages and abilities! Ends in Head Lake Park with great post race food and prizes. Brochure available online at www.trailsand-tours.com/category/hike or contact Sue Shikaze 457-9110, singing.dog@sympatico.ca
- **Aug. 23:** Foot Clinic, contact Ebba at 766-2264 (Dorset) for info or to book appt.
- **Aug. 23:** Art in the Garden – Art, food, wine, music, sun. Twisted Pine Studio. Benefiting HHHS Foundation. 457-1580.

- **Loonie Tennis:** at the Stanhope tennis courts on Northshore Rd. will take place Tuesdays in August from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Racquets & balls are provided and the cost is minimal. Learn the basics and meet other kids. Come out and have fun!
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- **Haliburton Area Motorcycle Social (H.A.M.S.)** Meet other motorcyclists at the Federal Dock, Head Lake in Haliburton every Thursday at 6:15 p.m. until the end of September. Ride leaves at 6:30 p.m. Everyone welcome. Contact Dale McCrea at 448-1023.
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- **Music by the Gull:** presents free outdoor concerts Friday evenings in Aug. Bring a lawn chair, sit by the river outside the Minden Post Office & enjoy the music! 457-2862.

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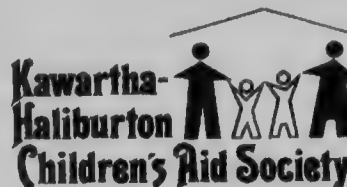
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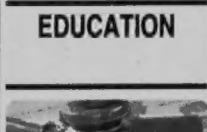
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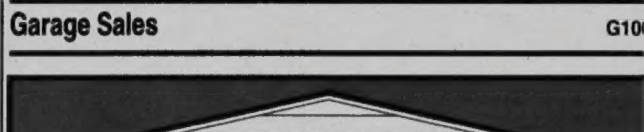
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Notices A910

Auditions for the Hit Musical "Annie!"

We are looking for Haliburton area youth who are interested in singing, acting and dancing. This youth production will be performed in January 2007 with rehearsals beginning in September 2006. Auditions are open to any child between the ages of 5 - 18 years. We are also looking for volunteers interested in costume design, set construction and stage crews. This project is a collaboration between HDA choreographers and theatre professionals including Kathryn Boyd from the Miracle worker!

Auditions are being held on
Thursday August 24th at HDA located at 19 George St. Haliburton
(across from the United Church)
5 - 7 years 5:00 - 5:45 p.m.
8 - 10 years 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
11+ year 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.

All performers will be asked to read a short poem or monologue as well as sing and dance in a group. There will be a \$10.00 audition fee.
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Deaths

McCleery, Doris Marjorie (nee King)

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TOMPKINS, Charles Dean - Suddenly on Sunday August 6, 2006 at the cottage he loved.

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Friends were invited to visit the family at the **Gordon A Monk Funeral Home Ltd.**, 127 Main St., Minden (1-888-588-5777) or www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com on Saturday, August 12, 2006 from 12:00 O'clock noon until the time of the Memorial Service in the chapel at 2:00 pm. Interment at Twelve Mile Lake Cemetery, Carnarvon. In Lieu of flowers, Memorial Donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (H.H.H.S.F.) would be appreciated by the family.

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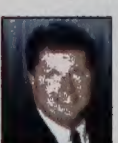


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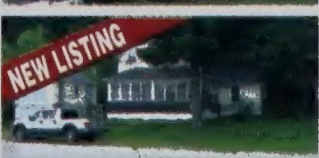


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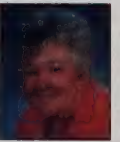
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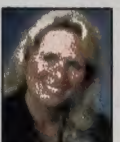
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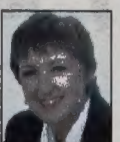
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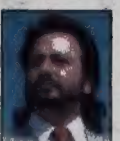
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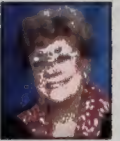
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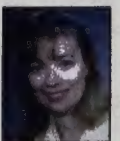
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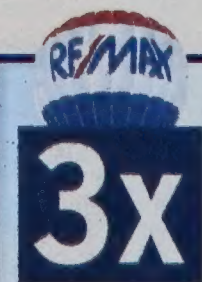
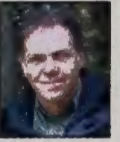
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